

# MINUTES

OF THE

## South Georgia Conference

OF THE M. E. CHURCH, SOUTH,

HELD AT

THOMASVILLE, GEORGIA,

DECEMBER 11--16, 1872.

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## OFFICERS.

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*Bishop ENOCH M. MARVIN, - President.*

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*R. J. CORLEY,* }  
*H. P. MYERS,* }  
*S. S. SWEET,* } - - - Assistants.

# MINUTES.

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QUESTION 1.—*Who are admitted on trial?*

ANSWER.—Albert McCay Williams, Wilbur F. Beardin, James M. Osborne, Peter S. Twitty, John J. Boring, Barnard H. Lester, W. H. Rogers—7.

QUESTION 2.—*Who remain on trial?*

ANSWER.—R. M. Lockwood, George C. Thompson, William J. Green, John W Domingos, J. F. Mixon, J. B. Culpepper—6.

QUESTION 3.—*Who are discontinued?*

ANSWER.—Burrel S. Key, at his own request.

QUESTION 4.—*Who are admitted into full connection?*

ANSWER.—Robert L. Honiker, Robert D. Gentry, Summerfield N. Tucker, William A. Green, John W Glenn—5.

QUESTION 5.—*Who are readmitted?*

ANSWER.—None.

QUESTION 6.—*Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?*

ANSWER.—G. Jefferson Pearce, George R. Kramer, Harwell H. Parks, J. V. M. Morris, Miller H. White, J. P. Wardlaw, G. W Hardaway, Boling H. Sasnett, George Bright—9.

QUESTION 7.—*Who are the Deacons of one year?*

ANSWER.—Edwin J. Burch.

QUESTION 8.—*What traveling Preachers are elected Deacons?*

ANSWER.—Robert L. Honiker, Robert D. Gentry, Summerfield N. Tucker, William A. Green, John W Glenn—5.

QUESTION 9.—*What traveling Preachers are ordained Deacons?*

ANSWER.—Robert L. Honiker, Robert D. Gentry, Summerfield N. Tucker, William A. Green, John W Glenn—5.

QUESTION 10.—*What local Preachers are elected Deacons?*

ANSWER.—William J. Short, Malcolm Hair, Julius Gardner, Isaac W. Boring, William J. Morris, Paul H. Johnson, Elias Davis, Ernest Crum—8.

QUESTION 11.—*What local Preachers are ordained Deacons?*

ANSWER.—Malcolm Hair, Isaac W Boring, Elias Davis, Ernest Crum, William N. Clemons, Flournoy Clark—6.

QUESTION 12.—*What traveling Preachers are elected Elders?*

ANSWER.—Daniel G. Pope, Julian S. Jordan—2.

QUESTION 13.—*What traveling Preachers are ordained Elders?*

ANSWER.—Daniel G. Pope, Julian S. Jordan—2.

QUESTION 14.—*What local Preachers are elected Elders?*

ANSWER.—William B. Jarrall, Daniel E. Roberts, Willis M

Russell, Gordon Waters, Christopher C. Andrews, William Hardin—6.

QUESTION 15.—*What local Preachers are ordained Elders?*

ANSWER.—Willis M. Russell.

QUESTION 16.—*Who are located this year?*

ANSWER.—None.

QUESTION 17.—*Who are supernumerary?*

ANSWER.—Robert F. Williamson, Seaborn G. Childs, W. B. McHan, James Harris—4.

QUESTION 18.—*Who are superannuated?*

ANSWER.—Charles A. Moore, Wyatt Brooks, Jacob R. Owen, Henry P. Pitchford, William W. Griffin, Capel Raiford, Thomas C. Coleman, F. R. C. Ellis, Young F. Tignor, James Dunwoody, Reuben H. Lucky, David Crenshaw, John W. Talley, L. C. Peck, W. S. Baker, James Jones—16.

QUESTION 19.—*What Preachers have died during the past year?*

ANSWER.—Churchwell A. Crowell, John H. Robinson, Charles R. Jewett, J. Blakely Smith—4. (See printed memoirs.)

QUESTION 20.—*Are all the Preachers blameless in their life and official administration?*

ANSWER.—Their names were called one by one, and their characters were examined and passed.

QUESTION 21.—*What is the number of local Preachers and members in the several circuits, stations and missions of the Conference?*

ANSWER.—Members, 25,724; Local Preachers, 211. (See statistical tables.)

QUESTION 22.—*How many infants have been baptized during the year?*

ANSWER.—918. (See statistical tables.)

QUESTION 23.—*How many adults have been baptized during the year?*

ANSWER.—1,703. (See statistical tables.)

QUESTION 24.—*What is the number of Sunday Schools?*

ANSWER.—276. (See statistical tables.)

QUESTION 25.—*What is the number of Sunday School teachers?*

ANSWER.—1,850. (See statistical tables.)

QUESTION 26.—*What is the number of Sunday School Scholars?*

ANSWER.—11,479. (See statistical tables.)

QUESTION 27.—*What amount is necessary for the superannuated Preachers and the widows and orphans of Preachers?*

ANSWER.—\$10,200.

QUESTION 28.—*What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?*

ANSWER.—\$5,463 45. Distributed to claimants.

QUESTION 29.—*What has been contributed for Missions?*

ANSWER.—\$6,015 88. (See statistical tables.)

QUESTION 30.—*Where shall the next Conference be held?*

ANSWER.—Macon, Ga.

QUESTION 31.—*Where are the Preachers stationed this year?*

ANSWER.—See Appointments.

## APPOINTMENTS FOR 1873.

**Savannah District**—J. O. A. CLARK, PRESIDING ELDER.

Savannah, Trinity.....	H. H. PARKS.
“ Wesley Church and City Mission.....	GEO. G. N. MACDONELL.
Hinesville.....	WILLIAM G. BOOTH.
Bryan Mission.....	W. M. C. CONLEY.
Springfield.....	N. D. MOREHOUSE.
{ Sylvania.....	W. T. McMICHAEL.
{ Millen Mission.....	To be supplied.
Bethel.....	E. J. BURCH.
Alexander.....	J. A. ROSSER.
{ Waynesboro.....	G. S. JOHNSON.
{ Herndon Mission.....	L. A. DARSEY.
Bethany.....	T. B. LANIER.
Lonisville .....	W. M. KENNEDY.
Sandersville .....	J. F. MIXON.
Davisboro .....	J. S. JORDAN.
Washington.....	S. N. TUCKER.
Gibson .....	J. W. DOMINGUS.

**Macon District**—J. W. HINTON, PRESIDING ELDER.

Macon, Mulberry Street and Vineville.....	J. O. BRANCH.
East Macon and City Mission.....	R. M. Lockwood. One to be supplied.
Macon, First Street .....	G. JEFF. PEARCE.
Macon Circuit.....	CHARLES J. TOOLE. One to be supplied.
Gordon.....	B. H. SASNETT.
Irwinton.....	To be supplied by F. W. FLANDERS.
Jeffersonville .....	D. O'DRISCOLL.
Fort Valley and Marshallville.....	F. A. BRANCH.
{ Crawford.....	W. W. TIDWELL.
{ Providence.....	J. W. GLENN. One to be supplied.
Perry.....	WALTER KNOX.
Hayneville .....	J. R. LITTLEJOHN.
Hawkiusville and Mission.....	R. J. CORLEY.
Cochran Mission.....	J. M. OSBURN.
Pulaski and Wilcox Mission .....	W. H. ROGERS.

O. L. SMITH, President Emory College.

I. S. HOPKINS, Professor Emory College.

E. H. MYERS, President Wesleyan Female College.

C. W. SMITH and W. C. BASS, Professors Wesleyan Female College.

**Columbus District**—T. T. CHRISTIAN, PRESIDING ELDER.

{ Columbus, St. Luke's.....	J. S. KEY.
{ Girard, Trinity and Asbury.....	J. W. SIMMONS.
{ St. Paul's.....	A. WRIGHT.
{ Wesley Chapel.....	W. F. ROBISON.
Cataula .....	R. L. WIGGINS.
Hamilton.....	D. R. McWILLIAMS.

*South Georgia Conference.*

Talbotton.....	R. W. DIXON.
Talbotton Circuit.....	L. B. PAYNE, G. C. THOMPSON.
Geneva.....	L. G. R. WIGGINS.
Butler .....	W. M. D. BOND.
↳ Buena Vista.....	W. W. STEWART.
↳ Glen Alta and Mission.....	C. C. HINES.
Cusseta.....	R. F. EVANS.
Lumpkin.....	A. J. DEAN.
Conference Missionary.....	LOVICK PIERCE.

**Americus District—N. B. OUSLEY, PRESIDING ELDER.**

Americus.....	A. M. WYNN, JAMES HARRIS, sup.
Bethel.....	J. J. Boring.
Magnolia Springs.....	P. S. Twitty.
Ellaville.....	J. M. MARSHALL, R. F. WILLIAMSON, sup.
Smithville and Mission .....	WESLEY LANE.
Oglethorpe.....	J. B. WARDLAW.
Montezuma.....	J. W. BURKE.
Vienna .....	JAMES SPENCE.
Dooly Mission.....	To be supplied by I. W. Boring.
Worth Mission.....	To be supplied by W. M. Russell.
Dawson and Enterprise.....	GEORGE C. CLARKE.
Weston.....	J. T. AINSWORTH.
Stewart.....	J. M. POTTER.
Florence.....	G. T. EMBRY.
J. B. McGEEHEE, President and Agent of Andrew Female College.	
SAMUEL ANTHONY, Agent of Orphans' Home.	

**Bainbridge District—R. B. LESTER, PRESIDING ELDER.**

Bainbridge.....	S. D. CLEMENTS.
Deeatur.....	P. C. HARRIS.
Trinity.....	A. M. Williamis.
Spring Creek Mission.....	R. H. HOWREN.
Fort Gaines and Blakely.....	W. M. HAYES, B. H. Lester.
Morgan .....	D. BLALOCK.
Camilla.....	M. H. White. One to be supplied.
Cairo.....	J. J. GILES.
Albany and Mission.....	G. R. KRAMER.
Cuthbert.....	B. F. BREEDLOVE, W. B. McHAN, sup.
Spring Vale.....	S. R. WEAVER.
Georgetown, Midway and St. Paul's.....	To be supplied.
Terrell .....	E. J. RENTZ.

**Thomasville District—J. M. AUSTIN, PRESIDING ELDER.**

Thomasville.....	E. H. McGEEHEE.
Spring Hill.....	J. D. MAULDIN.
Grooverville.....	W. M. WATTS, S. G. Childs, sup.
Quitman .....	S. S. SWEET.
Morven .....	J. E. SENTELL.
↳ Valdosta.....	J. B. WARDLAW.
↳ Lowndes and Echols Mission.....	A. P. WRIGHT.
Stockton.....	To be supplied.
Jesup.....	J. L. WILLIAMS.
↳ Blackshear and Junction.....	H. P. MYERS.
↳ Wareboro.....	J. B. CULPEPER.
Waynesville.....	T. S. ARMISTEAD.
Centrevillage.....	W. H. THOMAS.

St. Mary's.....	W. J. Green.
Brunswick and City Mission.....	J. O. A. COOK.
Darien and McIntosh.....	R. L. HONIKER.

**Altamaha District—J. V. M. MORRIS, PRESIDING ELDER.**

Scarboro.....	J. J. MORGAN.
Dublin.....	G. W. Hardaway.
Wrightsville.....	To be supplied by W. T. Rea.
County Line.....	To be supplied.
Swainsboro.....	D. G. POPE.
Jacksonville.....	W. A. GREENE.
Oconee.....	H. C. FENTRESS.
Altamaha .....	W. F. CONLEY.
Reidsville.....	R. D. GENTRY.
Moultrie Mission.....	W. F. Bearden.
Nashville .....	To be supplied.
Alapaha Mission.....	To be supplied by D. Morrison.
Ocmulgee .....	W. F. ROBERTS.
Holmesville.....	To be supplied by J. R. Ware.

J. E. EVANS, H. J. ELLIS, W. W. HICKS, transferred to the North Georgia Conference.

H. D. MOORE, transferred to the Alabama Conference.

R. W. FLOURNOY, transferred to Louisiana Conference.

GEORGE BRIGHT, transferred to the Florida Conference.

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**LAY DELEGATES—Present.**

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SAVANNAH DISTRICT—J. J. Jones, J. W. Cheatham.

MACON DISTRICT—T. N. Beall.

COLUMBUS DISTRICT—A. M. Brannon, Geo. A. B. Dozier, W P. Jordan.

BRUNSWICK DISTRICT—Rev. H. W. Sharpe, N. Campbell, M. B. Johnston.

AMERICUS DISTRICT—R. J. Redding, Rev. W. B. Merritt, Rev. W. G. Parks, M. E. Rylander.

BAINBRIDGE DISTRICT—Rev. M. C. Smith, Reuben Jones.

HINESVILLE DISTRICT—Mr. Hughes, W. A. Hodges.

ALTAMAHIA DISTRICT—Jethro Arline.

**MISSIONARY.****OFFICERS AND MANAGERS OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.**

Dr. O. L. Smith, President; Samuel Anthony, Vice-President,  
Jas. W Hinton, Seeretary; George G. N. MacDonell, Treasurer.

**MANAGERS**—Edward A. H. McGehee, M. E. Rylander, John  
W Talley, John M. Marshall and L. B. Payne.

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**Constitution of the Board of Missions.**

**ARTICLE 1.** This Board shall be denominated and known as the Board of Missions of the South Georgia Annual Conference, auxilary to the Board of Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

**ART. 2.** The officers of the Board shall consist of a President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer, and ten Managers, who shall be chosen quadrennially by the Conference. In case of vacancy by death, resignation, or otherwise, the Board shall fill the vacancy, subject to confirmation by the Conference.

**ART. 3.** The President, and, in his absence, the Vice-President, shall preside at all meetings of the Board.

**ART. 4.** Five members shall constitute a quorum.

**ART. 5.** The Treasurer shall take charge of all the funds and property of the Board, subject to the order of the Board, and shall make an accurate and full report annually of all the receipts and disbursements of the Board.

**ART. 6.** The Secretary shall keep a full and complete record of the proceedings of the Board, and make the Annual Report of the Board.

**ART. 7.** Forty per cent. of all the collections made for Missions, in the bounds of the Conference, shall be transmitted to the Treasurer of the Board of Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, at Nashville, Tennessee. Should any surplus accrue, after defraying the expenses of Missions in this Conference, it shall be also forwarded to the Treasurer of the Board of Missions, Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

**ART. 8.** There shall be a public anniversary of this Board at the time and place of the meeting of the Annual Conference. At said anniversary a report, or an abstract of the Report of the Board and Treasurer, shall be made, and the interest of the Missionary cause promoted in such a manner as the Board shall deem expedient.

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**GEO. G. N MacDONELL, Treasurer,**

in account with Board of Domestic Missions of the South Georgia Annual Conference.

DECEMBER, 1872.

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Savannah District.....	\$1,738 31
Macon District.....	1,198 29
Columbus District.....	1,304 80
Americus District.....	672 05
Bainbridge District.....	323 50
Hawkinsville District.....	98 60
Brunswick District.....	372 13
Hinesville District.....	247 45
	\$5,955 13

Amount brought forward .....	\$5,955 13
To railroad dividend from J. Lewis, Jr., Treasurer North Georgia Conference Board of Missions.....	\$ 36 75
To railroad dividend from T. T. Christian, Treasurer South Georgia Conference.....	24 00
	_____ \$ 60 75
	\$6,015 88

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By amount remitted A. H. Redford, Treasurer, 40 per cent. of collections.....	\$2,352 04
Paid for missionary work as follows:	
To Missionary Savannah District.....	341 25
To Missionary Macon District.....	273 00
To Missionary Columbus District.....	477 75
To Missionary Americus District.....	136 50
To Missionary Bainbridge District.....	136 50
To Missionary Hawkinsville District.....	921 37
To Missionary Brunswick District.....	648 38
To Missionary Hinesville District .....	409 50
By special donation to Savannah City Mission, from Trinity Sunday-school Missionary Society.....	150 00
By amount paid J. W. Burke & Co., for Minutes.....	75 00
By amount paid Mrs. J. Blakely Smith .....	75 00
By amount paid for envelopes, etc.....	7 00
Balance on hand .....	12 59
	_____ \$6,015 88

Audited the Treasurer's report and found it correct.

JOHN M. MARSHALL,  
E. A. H. McGEHEE.

### SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

#### OFFICERS AND BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL SOCIETY.

Alexander M. Wynn, President; James O. Branch, 1st Vice-President; Thomas T. Christian, 2d Vice-President; Alvin J. Dean, Secretary and Treasurer.

MANAGERS—Benjamin F. Breedlove, James M. Austin, William S. Baker, E. A. H. McGehee, John W. Simmons.

### EDUCATION.

STANDING COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.—A. Wright, J. O. A. Cook, R. W. Dixon, Robert J. Corley, J. O. A. Clark, John W. Burke, R. L. Wiggins, J. J. Jones, W. F. Robison.

### Constitution of the Board of Education.

1. Raise a Board of Education which shall be charged with the duty of raising funds from year to year, by the aid of preachers and otherwise, to educate young men for and in the ministry.

2. The Board shall select the beneficiaries of the Conference, the applicant to come recommended by the quarterly conference of the charge in which he is a member, with a written statement of his qualifications and character, and of the amount of aid he may need; or, if he be a probationer in the Annual Conference the vote of the Conference shall direct their action.

3. The funds to be used for this purpose shall be derived from contributions from the Church at large, obtained in such way as the Conference may direct, or the Board from time to time devise, they proceeding at once to accumulate a fund for future use.

4. The Board shall adopt measures to interest the District meetings in this scheme, and endeavor to obtain within each District, money enough to educate at least one young man annually.

5. The Board shall make an annual report in detail of all their actions to the Conference.

### **Visiting Committee.**

**EMORY COLLEGE.**—A. Wright, A. M. Wynn, Thomas T. Christian, Henry Perry, Walter B. Hill.

**WESLEYAN FEMALE COLLEGE.**—R. W Dixon, W W Stewart, H. H. Parks, Reuben Jones, H. W Verstille.

**ANDREW FEMALE COLLEGE.**—R. J. Corley, G. Jeff. Pearce, Walter Knox, W C. Dodd, R. J. Redding.

**LEVERT FEMALE COLLEGE.**—J. W. Burke, Carolin C. Hines, J O. Branch, Geo. A. B. Dozier, A. M. Brannon.

**COLLINSWORTH INSTITUTE.**—J. S. Key, S. D. Clements, John M. Marshall, G. R. Glenn, Walker Lewis.

### **Assessments for 1873.**

Savannah District.....	\$185 00
Macon District .....	185 00
Columbus District.....	180 00
Americus District.....	150 00
Bainbridge District.....	100 00
Thomasville District.....	80 00
Altamaha District.....	20 00
 Total .....	 \$900 00

**Course of Study.****[REVISED.]**

**FOR ADMISSION ON TRIAL.**—The Bible, in reference to doctrines generally ; Wesley's Sermons on Justification by Faith, and on the Witness of the Spirit ; Book of Discipline ; the ordinary branches of an English education.

**FIRST YEAR.**—The Bible, in reference to its historical and biographical parts, and its chronology ; Book of Discipline, with special reference to Chapter I., Sections 1 and 2 ; Manual of Discipline, Chapters I. and II. ; Wesley's Sermons, Volume I. ; Ralston's Elements of Divinity ; Watson's Institutes, Part IV. ; Preacher's Manual ; History of the Organization of the M. E. Church, South, by Redford ; Written Sermons on Repentance.

*Books of Reference.*—Watson's Biblical and Theological Dictionary ; Theological Compend ; Fletcher's Works ; Watson's Life of Wesley.

**SECOND YEAR.**—The Bible, in reference to its Prophetic parts ; Wesley's Sermons, Volume II. ; Watson's Institutes, Part III. ; Smith's Elements of Divinity ; Book of Discipline, with special reference to Chapters II., III., IV. ; Manual of Discipline, Chapters III. and IV. ; Coppee's Rhetoric ; Written Sermon on Justification by Faith.

*Books of Reference.*—Newton or Keith on the Prophecies ; Angus' Handbook of the Bible ; Claude's Essays on the Composition of a Sermon ; Watson's Sermon's ; Bickersteth on the Spirit of Life ; Whateley's Rhetoric.

**THIRD YEAR.**—The Bible, in reference to the life of Christ ; Wesley's Sermons, Volume III. ; Watson's Institutes, Part II. ; Coppee's Logic ; River's Mental Philosophy ; Edgar's Variations of Popery ; Book of Discipline, with special reference to Chapter V to the end ; Manual of Discipline, Chapters V., VI. and VII. ; Written Sermon on the Witness of the Spirit.

*Books of Reference.*—Young's Christ of History ; Neander's Life of Christ ; Hickok's Mental Science ; Vinet's Pastoral Theology ; Stevens' History of Methodism ; Paine's Life of McKendree ; D'Aubigne's History of the Reformation ; Whateley's Logic.

**FOURTH YEAR.**—The Bible, in reference to the Acts and Apostles, their analysis and design ; Wesley's Sermons, Volume IV. ; Watson's Institutes, Part I. ; Powell on the Apostolical Succession ; Hickok's Moral Science ; Mosheim's Church History ; Summers on Baptism ; Book of Discipline, reviewed ; Manual of Discipline, Chapters VIII. and IX. ; Written Sermon on Regeneration.

*Books of Reference.*—Butler's Analogy ; Bingham's Antiquities ; River's Moral Philosophy ; Hoppin's Homiletics ; Wall on Infant Baptism ; Litton's Church of Christ ; Neander's Church History ; Liddon on the Divinity of our Lord ; Couybeare and Howson's Life and Epistles of St. Paul.

*Commentaries.*—Clark's, Watson's Exposition, Wesley's Notes, Summers on the Gospel, Stier's Words of the Lord Jesus, Lange on the New Testament, Olshausen on the New Testament, Alford on the New Testament, Bloomfield on the New Testament, MacKnight on the Epistles, Henry's Exposition, Whitby's Commentary.

**NOTE.**—The examination will be confined to the Course of Study. The books of reference are recommended to be read, and the Commentaries to be consulted.

**Examining Committees.**

**FOR CANDIDATES.**—N. B. Ousley, S. S. Sweet, Wm. S. Baker.

**FIRST YEAR.**—F. A. Branch, S. D. Clements, A. J. Dean.

**SECOND YEAR.**—J. R. Littlejohn, B. F. Breedlove, R. J. Corley.

**THIRD YEAR.**—W. Knox, W. F. Robison, A. M. Wynn.

**FOURTH YEAR.**—J. O. Branch, J. T. Ainsworth, J. M. Austin.

*Resolved*, 1. That the Examining Committees, the applicants for admission on trial, together with the under-graduates of South Georgia Conference, be required to meet at the place of holding the session of the Conference, in time to begin the examinations, on Tuesday, at 9 o'clock A. M., next preceding the meeting of the Conference.

*Resolved*, 2. Any member of either committee, or any applicant for admission on trial, or any undergraduate failing to meet at the appointed time and place, shall, if a member of either committee, be removed, or if an applicant or an undergraduate, forfeit the privilege of going before the committee for examination at that session; provided, in either instance a providential hindrance shall be received as a valid excuse.

**Commission for Orphans' Home,**

Geo. C. Clark, A. M. Wynn, J. W. Burke, John W. Jordan,  
James Jackson.

**Financial Board.**

W. H. Hollinshead, N. B. Ousley, Walter Knox, J. O. Branch  
B. F. Breedlove, D. R. McWilliams, J. J. Morgan, J. M. Austin,  
William Hughes, William Hodges, A. M. Brannon, R. H. Hard-  
away, R. A. Kellam, H. L. Jewett.

**Assessment for 1873.**

	CON. COL.	BISHOPS.
Savannah District.....	\$1,900 00	375 00
Macon District .....	1,900 00	375 00
Columbus District.....	1,900 00	375 00
Americus District..	1,800 00	350 00
Bainbridge District.....	1,400 00	250 00
Thomasville District.....	1,200 00	125 00
Altamaha District.....	100 00	25 00
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	\$10,200 00	\$1,875 00

**Incorporated Conference.**

J. S. Key, President, S. D. Clements, Secretary, and Thomas,  
T. Christian, Treasurer.

**Board of Fund of Special Relief.**

L. Pierce, S. Anthony, D. R. McWilliams, J. B. McGehee, Geo. G. N. MacDonell, F. A. Branch, J. M. Austin.

The object of this Fund is to give relief to the widows and orphans of the preachers, traveling or local, or to the preachers themselves, who are in specially destitute circumstances from sickness or other calamity. Donations solicited.

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**Preachers' Aid Society.**

R. B. Lester, President; J. O. A. Cook, Treasurer; T. T. Christian, Secretary; J. W. Hinton, J. S. Key, A. M. Wynn, Wm. M. Kennedy.

This Society manages all invested funds, the proceeds of which are distributed to the superannuated preachers and widows and orphans of preachers. Donations are solicited.

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**Resolutions.**

WHEREAS, A great discrepancy exists between the number of conversions and additions to the Church reported, and the net gain in members presented by the statistics; and

WHEREAS, It is believed that this discrepancy is caused largely by the loss of members who remove from place to place with or without certificates; therefore,

*Resolved*, That it shall be the duty of every preacher to ascertain, as far as possible, the desired or intended destination of removing members, and immediately notify the preacher in charge of such place of destination, of such removal to his charge.

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**Days of Fasting and Prayer.**

*Resolved*, That the first Friday in May and September be appointed as days of fasting and prayer.

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STANDING COMMITTEE ON MEMOIRS FOR FOUR YEARS.—O. L. Smith, R. W. Dixon and R. B. Lester.

## MEMOIRS.

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Rev. CHURCHWELL ANDERSON CROWELL was born in Mecklenburg county, North Carolina, September 15th, 1806, and died in Sumter county, Georgia, January 10th, 1872.

He was converted and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church in the summer of 1825; was licensed as an exhorter in September, 1826; as a preacher in September, 1828; admitted into the South Carolina Annual Conference in January, 1829, and appointed junior preacher on the Warren circuit, in Georgia. From this time until the year 1850, he filled various appointments in North and South Carolina and Georgia, except two of those years, when he was supernumerary, owing to ill health.

In December, 1850, he was transferred to the Georgia Conference, and appointed to the Cassville circuit in 1851 and 1852. In 1853, owing to afflictions, he was without appointment. In 1854, he was in charge of the Iron Works and Etowah mission, and located at the close of that year. He was re-admitted into the Georgia Conference in December, 1860, and appointed to the Calhoun circuit in 1861, and at the close of this year, he again located. He was re-admitted into the South Georgia Conference in December, 1867, and appointed to the Weston circuit for 1868; to the Terrell circuit in 1869; to the Hamilton circuit, 1870; to the Magnolia Springs circuit, 1871; and to the Ellaville circuit, 1872. But he was not permitted by the Great Shepherd to take charge of this last appointment. He was making all his arrangements to remove to his new field of labor, when he was suddenly stricken by disease, and after a short, though painful illness, died.

So severe was his attack, that, from the second day of his sickness, he was entirely helpless. His tongue was paralyzed to such an extent that it was impossible to understand him when he attempted to speak, and in consequence of this, he left no testimony, in words, at least, of his triumph in the dying hour. We, however, have a better assurance of his readiness for death, furnished by his long life of devotedness to God, and zeal for the success of the cause of his Divine Master. In these there were none who excelled him.

From the time of his last re-admission into the itinerancy until his death, he was greatly devoted to the work, and, although it was suggested to him, that it would be proper for him to settle himself and family again, and leave the arduous work of the ministry to younger men, he declared his purpose to work as long as God should spare his life and give him strength. And he literally "died in the work."

As a preacher, he was plain and practical. He sought, in all his sermons, to save souls, to reclaim the backslidden in heart and life, and to raise the Church to a higher standard of spiritual life. He loved the Methodist Church, and endeavored faithfully to teach its doctrines and commend its usages.

Justification by faith in the atoning sacrifice of a Divine Redeemer, the witness of the Spirit, and conformity of heart and life to the law of God, were themes upon which he delighted to dwell; and the improved state of the Church, morally and spiritually, in his different fields of labor, indicated that his preaching was not in vain. As a pastor, he performed the duties, great and small, appertaining to his office. Every interest of the Church committed to his care received his faithful attention.

At the last session of the South Georgia Conference, after the interesting but mournful services in memory of the deceased members of the Confer-

ence, brother Crowell remarked, "How solemn that question propounded by brother Anthony to-night!" "Who next?" "Ah," said he, "let us all work; let us all be ready, then it will make no difference who dies next." He was next. But, living by such a rule, who can doubt that he left the work of the Church on earth, to enter upon the rest of the Church in heaven.

A good man, earnest Christian, and faithful minister has fallen. May the purity, zeal and success of his life stimulate us, his survivors, to nobler Christian deeds and higher ministerial achievements.

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Rev. CHARLES RAYMOND JEWETT was born July 29th, 1824, and died July 10th, 1872.

He was educated at Emory College, converted at the age of eighteen, soon afterwards licensed to preach, and was regularly admitted into the Georgia Conference in January, 1844, at the age of twenty years.

Thus early taught the precepts of religion, initiated thoroughly into the doctrines of Methodism and admitted into the itinerant ranks in youth, no wonder that he became such a Timothy in the Gospel, of whom even a Paul might not be ashamed.

He remained a member of the Conference for twenty-eight and a half years, filling almost every office in the gift of the Church except that of Bishop. Whether as junior preacher, in charge of a circuit, pastor of a station, Presiding Elder of a District, or Agent of Emory College, the records will show no charge of complaint against Charles R. Jewett. But his brethren will affirm and thousands of sympathizing friends will testify that he was ever faithful and true, zealous in every good work, and fully consecrated to the cause of his Master. He has been frequently heard to say that he never asked an appointment or murmured at the decision of the presiding Bishop, but that *somewhat* the Bishop always gave him better than he expected or desired. Such expressions give us a truthful index to the character of this modest, unassuming, cheerful, hopeful, humble servant of God.

Others have already written and testified warmly as to his many virtues in private and public life. As a husband he was gentle and affectionate; as a father kind and paternal; as a friend he was genial, warm and tender in his sympathies and attachments. With him friendship was more than a name. Few men had more confidential friends than our dear brother Jewett. He was truly one man among thousands to whom you might freely unbosom yourself; into whose ears a friend in distress might pour out his sorrows and feel assured that they would reach a warm and sympathetic heart. As a Christian his piety was consistent, ardent and uniform. His zeal was fervent and untiring, his faith strong and unwavering, and his religion cheerful and active. In his temperament the nervous and sanguine predominated. He painted no dark pictures—he cherished no gloomy forebodings. No biographer will ever copy from his memoranda any record of lost battles or inglorious defeats. Whatever he undertook he performed. He knew no such word as *fail*. With a just cause, buoyant hope, strong faith and untiring energy, he never stopped short of success.

As a minister he ranked among the best of our Conference; and he has filled, with credit to himself and honor to the Church, many of the best appointments in our bounds. As a pastor, he was faithful, zealous and devoted to his charge. As a speaker, he was earnest, practical, bold and eloquent. His thoughts were strong and clear, his style pure and chaste, his delivery forcible and impressive, and his sermons generally remarkable for soundness in doctrine, originality of thought, and the poetic and classic beauty of his illustrations.

But although a good pastor, a successful agent and an eloquent preacher, in every field of labor, he was still more admired as a Presiding Elder. Here he had a wider field for his gifts and graces. Night and day he studied and planned for the success of his District and the general interests of his Church.

He was a man of liberal and expansive views, and sought to impress them upon the preachers and members of the entire District. He held no Quarterly Conferences hastily, or closed up the business in a slovenly manner; but patiently, earnestly, diligently looked up and inquired after every interest of the Church. Hence his Conferences were always interesting and profitable, and his quarterly meetings well attended.

At our last Conference session in Columbus he was present, although greatly enfeebled by sickness during the previous year. Ever ready to labor, even beyond his physical strength, he declared himself effective and was re-appointed to the Thomasville station. Soon he became permanently disabled; his strength gradually failed, "the silver cord had been loosed and the golden bowl broken," and he died peacefully and triumphantly at the house of his father-in-law in Bibb county, Georgia.

During the last few months of his sickness he was a great sufferer, but his soul was full of the love of God. One passage of scripture was constantly upon his lips—"For me to live is Christ, but to die is gain. O Death! Where is thy sting?" He exhorted those around him to meet him in heaven, and assured them, that

"Jesus could make a dying bed  
Feel soft as downy pillows are;  
While on his breast he leaned his head,  
And breathed his life out sweetly there."

Thus died, without a struggle, our dear brother Charles R. Jewett.

His remains sleep in the cemetery at Fort Valley, Georgia. His spirit, doubtless, inhabits the tabernacle, not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

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Rev. JOHN BLAKELY SMITH was born in Charlotte, North Carolina, June 11th, 1820, and died near Americus, Georgia, September 30th, 1872.

That period between these dates marks a life rich and varied in its experiences and replete with success and usefulness.

Though reared a Presbyterian, he was gay and irreligious until he was twenty-three years of age. In the year 1843, he was happily converted to God, during a revival of religion in Newnan, Georgia, and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church. Very soon after his conversion, he felt called to the "office and work of the ministry;" but he hesitated for several years, only because he feared making a mistake in a calling so sacred and so holy. At length he was smitten by sickness—about the only severe illness he ever had—and then he resolved to give up all worldly business, and consecrate himself to God and the work of the ministry. He was immediately, and it appeared almost miraculously, restored to health; was licensed to preach, and soon thereafter, in December, 1847, was admitted into the Georgia Conference, of which—and the South Georgia Conference, after the division of the Georgia Conference—he continued an active, laborious and useful member until his death, a period of twenty-five years. Nine of these years, and part of a tenth, he was on circuits; the remainder of the tenth year, he was Sunday-school Agent of the South Georgia Conference. Three years he was Agent of the American Tract Society; three years he acted as Agent of the Wesleyan Female College; three years he served a station, and six years he was presiding elder. All of these different appointments he filled with acceptability, efficiency and extensive usefulness.

Whether we view brother Smith as a man, as a Christian, or as a minister of religion, we find in him *very much* to admire and to imitate.

As a man, he was genial and vivacious. Wherever he sojourned, cheerfulness and gladness were constant guests. The young as well as the old, even the little children, were delighted to see him come and hear him talk.

Without times of despondency, and without seasons of enthusiasm, his social life was a happy medium between the sombre and the hilarious.

In his Christian life he was ever hopeful and full of faith. His communion with God was almost constant. Without arrogating to himself anything but that which he received from the Lord Jesus, he claimed to know for himself that the blood of Christ cleanseth from *all* sin, and this high claim he attested by the purity of his spirit and the uprightness of his conduct.

In his family relations, he was extremely felicitous. His wife was made to rejoice, and his children were gladdened at his coming. The virtues of his social and Christian life shone as brightly in his own dear home as elsewhere. Whoever witnessed his walk at home, could not but feel that in him was found an example of the influence of sanctified sociality upon a household.

He was elected Secretary of the Georgia Conference, in 1850, which office he held until the day of his death, a period of twenty-two years. There were times when he could have been relieved from the labors of this office, if he had insisted, he being a presiding elder, but he would not insist, thus manifesting his disposition to serve the Church to the utmost of his ability. He carried into this office the conscientiousness which was characteristic of the man. In the discharge of the duties of this office he was neat, prompt, diligent, accurate and faithful.

He was a good preacher. As a minister of the gospel of Christ, he possessed, combined and used with great success three elements—*simplicity, earnestness and unction*.

His style was neat. He clothed his messages in pure and simple language. *All* could understand when he spoke. His sincere love for God inspired within him a deep and an abiding affection for souls; hence, he preached with great earnestness. He forgot himself, and was careful only for the honor and glory of his Master in heaven. He had the spirit of God with him, to make his simplicity powerful, and to intensify his earnestness. He rarely ever preached without giving signs of the presence of the Holy Ghost. The themes contained in the gospel were those upon which he delighted to dwell, without manifesting any special fondness for one above another. He sought both in the choice and application of his subjects to be appropriate, pointed and forcible. He always looked to the salvation of souls in the presentation of his thoughts. Neither the praises nor the disapproval of men were anything to him, when souls were concerned, and where truth was involved. With him sin was sin, no matter where, or in whom found, and he never failed to rebuke it in strong and unequivocal terms. His love for souls led him to expose their guilt and ruin. He knew how, and when to comfort those burdened with a sense of sin, or distressed by temptations and the sorrows of this life. To all such he presented Christ and the promises of Holy Writ, with a tenderness and love which rarely failed in their results. He would sometimes regale his hearers with visions of "the better land," so as to awaken in all the desire to go thither. He could tell of "friends gone before;" of "angels robed in their garments of white;" of the "New Jerusalem," and "the rest of the saints," until many hearts were melted into tenderness and filled with longings to enter that "immortal home." He was a "weeping prophet," moving his hearers more frequently by the earnestness of his soul and the power of his tears, than by the beauty of his diction, or the profoundness of his reasoning. Well nigh all of his sermons were interspersed with recitals of short, appropriate and forcible incidents and narratives, taken from human life, which added to the effectiveness of his preaching.

As is manifest from the character of the works which he served, and his great success in them, he was a preacher of versatile talent; not adapted to any one style of appointments, but able to fill any appointment in the gift of the Conference. Whether on a circuit or a station; in an agency, or on a district, he rose to the level of his position, and was quite equal to the emergency. He was at home in any position; in the pulpit in the country; in the pulpit in the city; in the responsible office of Presiding Elder; every-

where, he was easy, save that earnest wrestling for the salvation of souls which marked his entire ministerial career. By the urbanity of his manners, candor of his spirit, and deep sympathies of his soul, he won the confidence and esteem of well nigh all with whom he came in contact.

There are few, if any, amongst us, who have been instrumental in winning as many souls to Christ, as J. Blakely Smith. One who knew him well said of him: "He has worked more, wept more, prayed more, and preached more than any man I ever knew." The last six months of his ministry were marked by extraordinary fervor and power. He labored as if the words of Christ were constantly echoing in his heart: "I must work the works of Him that sent me while it is day; the night cometh when no man can work."

His end approached, although there were no visible signs of its coming. He left home on the morning of the 27th of September, to attend one of his quarterly meetings, looking remarkably well. He preached that evening, went a few miles next day, preached twice and held quarterly Conference. On the next day—Sabbath—he conducted love-feast and preached twice. In the evening he went home with brother Wilson to spend the night, apparently in excellent health and most cheerful spirits. Monday morning, rising very early, as was his custom, he walked into the yard; was seen to lean for a few moments against the fence, and then fall heavily to the ground. Brother Wilson was immediately called, and hastening to his assistance, found him unconscious. He rallied, however, and with some assistance walked to the house. Thinking that he would soon be better, he declined lying down, but was soon compelled to do so. In a few moments his breathing became exceedingly difficult, and turning to brother Wilson, he gasped, "I believe I am dying. If—I die—if I die—tell my wife—all is well—all is well." Folding his hands on his breast, and looking upwards, he whispered, "Precious Jesus—precious Jesus," and ceased to breathe.

While living he wished to die at his post with his armor on, and bright from constant untiring use. His wish was gratified. He "ceased at once to work and live." We miss him. As we turn to the Secretary's table we find him not there. His voice is no longer heard among us. At this Conference, we inscribe on the journal, J. Blakely Smith is no more. Peace to his ashes! Honor to his urn!

**REV. JOHN H. ROBINSON** was born in Fairfield District, South Carolina, November 9th, 1801, and died in Oglethorpe, Georgia, July 13th, 1872.

He was but a child when his parents moved with him to Jones county, Georgia, where, at the age of seventeen, he was converted at a camp-meeting, and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church. When eighteen years of age, he was licensed as an exhorter. The exact time when he was licensed to preach is not known. He was admitted into the South Carolina Conference 1821. In January, 1826, he was ordained elder in Milledgeville, Georgia, by Bishop Soule. He was a member of the South Carolina Conference for about twenty nine years; but what appointments he served, and when he located, we have not been able to ascertain. In 1858 he removed to Georgia, and was re-admitted into the Georgia Conference in December of that year. He was appointed to the Cusseta circuit and colored mission in 1859; to the Butler circuit in 1860, and at the close of that year was superannuated, and continued in this relation until his death.

Thus ended his itinerant career, but not his active labors, for, during the twelve years that he sustained a superannuated relation to the Conference, he was abundant in labors, preaching almost every Sabbath in his own, or in some contiguous neighborhood.

Words are hardly sufficient to estimate the value, or measure the influence of one so pure in heart, and so devoted in life, as was brother Robinson.

In the social circle his spirit was eminently genial and lively without hilar-

ity. He was ever careful to avoid a melancholy mood on the one hand, and a frivolous manner on the other. While his whole manner was cheerful and lively, it was also pure and chaste. He never lost sight of the fact that his Divine Master expected him to exert that saving influence which would liken him to salt. He was the embodiment of honesty and candor in all his intercourse with the world. Being far above doing anything which he believed to be wrong, he was equally above conniving at such in others. Possessing integrity, and a high sense of honor and justice, he looked for and sought to beget in his fellow man like virtues.

As a Christian he walked "in the fear of God and in the comfort of the Holy Ghost." His hope was ardent, his faith strong, his zeal was ever aglow, and his charity like the bounty of God, who "maketh his sun to rise on the evil and on the good, and sendeth rain on the just and on the unjust." Being consistent in his walk, devoted to the cause of God, and a man of great circumspection, he was never routed by his spiritual adversaries; but ever had his armor on, and sword in hand, ready to do his Master's biddings.

In the power of prayer he has been but seldom excelled. He laid the hands of faith upon the very horns of the altar, and communed with God as friend with friend. He was a preacher of the gospel for fifty years, and for thirty-one of those years an itinerant preacher. For this work he possessed both natural and acquired abilities. His mind was well stored with theological lore. As a preacher he was generally plain and practical, though very forcible. He usually elucidated and illustrated his themes in a plain, but most convincing manner. His preaching was marked by exhibitions of divine power. The Spirit of God rested on him. He had the "tongue of fire." He fed on the truth which he offered to his hearers. Such being the case, it is not wonderful that many dead souls were quickened into life, and many sorrowful hearts made joyful under his ministry. He made no compromise with sin, in any of its phases, but wherever, and in whomsoever found, it always met with an honest rebuke from him. During his last illness, which was of about three weeks duration, he manifested no other than a meek, quiet, gentle and submissive spirit. He expressed his resignation to the will of God thus: "*I am willing to live, yet ready to die.*"

At another time he said, "I can say as did Paul, the great apostle, 'I have fought a good fight, I have kept the faith.'" Thus lived, and thus died this brother beloved. The savor of his Christian life, and the remembrance of his final triumph linger with us to encourage us in life's strife, that we with him, may be crowned victors in the end.

O. L. SMITH,  
R. B. LESTER,  
R. W. DIXON.

# MEMBERS OF THE SOUTH GEORGIA CONFERENCE,

With the Date of Admission into the Traveling Connection.

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JAMES T. AINSWORTH.....admitted into the Georgia Conference, Dec. 1854  
SAMUEL ANTHONY.....admitted into the Georgia Conference, Jan. 1832  
THOS. S. ARMSTEAD.....received by transfer, Dec. 1870  
JAMES M. AUSTIN.....admitted into the Georgia Conference, Jan. 1849  
WM. S. BAKER.....admitted into the Georgia Conference, Dec. 1854  
BENJ. J. BALDWIN.....admitted into the Georgia Conference, Nov. 1862  
EDWIN P. BURCH....admitted into the South Georgia Conference, Dec. 1869  
DAVID BLALOCK .....admitted into the Georgia Conference, Nov. 1844  
W. G. BOOTHE.....admitted into the South Georgia Conference, Dec. 1869  
WM. M. D. BOND.....admitted into the Georgia Conference, Dec. 1853  
FRANKLIN A. BRANCH.....admitted into the Florida Conference, Dec. 1854  
JAMES O. BRANCH.....admitted into the Florida Conference, Dec. 1854  
WM. C. BASS.....admitted into the South Georgia Conference, Dec. 1867  
BENJ. F. BREEDLOVE....admitted into the Georgia Conference, Dec. 1855  
WYATT BROOKS.....admitted into the Georgia Conference, Jan. 1846  
JOHN W. BURKE.....admitted into the Georgia Conference, Dec. 1854  
ROBERT J. CORLEY.....admitted into the Georgia Conference, Dec. 1865  
THOS. T. CHRISTIAN.....admitted into the Georgia Conference, Dec. 1854  
JAMES O. A. CLARK.....admitted into the Georgia Conference, Dec. 1854  
SEABORN G. CHILDS.....admitted into the Georgia Conference, Jan. 1841  
WM. F. CONLEY.....admitted into the Georgia Conference, Jan. 1851  
WM. M. C. CONLEY.....admitted into the Georgia Conference, Dec. 1866  
JAMES O. A. COOK.....admitted into the Georgia Conference, Dec. 1863  
THOS. C. COLEMAN.....admitted into the Georgia Conference, Dec. 1838  
GEO. C. CLARKE.....admitted into the Georgia Conference, Jan. 1845  
STEPHEN D. CLEMENTS...admitted into South Georgia Conference, Dec. 1867  
DAVID CRENSHAW.....readmitted into South Georgia Conference, Dec. 1868  
ALVIN J. DEAN.....admitted into the Georgia Conference, Dec. 1854  
ROBERT W. DIXON.....admitted into the Georgia Conference, Dec. 1856  
JAMES DUNWOODY .....admitted into South Carolina Conference, ..... 1818  
LOWNDES A. DARSEY....admitted into South Georgia Conference, Dec. 1868  
F. R. C. ELLIS.....admitted into the Florida Conference, Dec. 1852  
ROBERT F. EVANS.....admitted into the Florida Conference, Dec. 1859  
GEORGE T. EMBRY.....admitted into the Georgia Conference, Jan. 1865  
HENRY C. FENTRESS....admitted into South Georgia Conference, Dec. 1868  
JESSE J. GILES.....admitted into the Florida Conference, Dec. 1856  
R. D. GENTRY.....admitted into South Georgia Conference, Dec. 1870  
W. A. GREEN.....admitted into South Georgia Conference, Dec. 1870  
JOHN W. GLENN.. ....admitted into South Georgia Conference, Dec. 1870

W.M. W. GRIFFIN.....admitted into the Georgia Conference, Dec. 1839  
JAMES HARRIS.....admitted into the Georgia Conference, Jan. 1843  
PHILEMON C. HARRIS.....admitted into the Georgia Conference, Dec. 1851  
W. M. HAYES.....admitted into South Georgia Conference, Dec. 1857  
ROBERT H. HOWREN.....admitted into the Georgia Conference, Dec. 1839  
ISAAC S. HOPKINS ..... admitted into the Georgia Conference, Dec. 1861  
JAMES W. HINTON.....admitted into the Georgia Conference, Dec. 1847  
R. L. HONIKER.....admitted into South Georgia Conference, Dec. 1870  
CAROLIN C. HINES.....admitted into South Georgia Conference, Dec. 1868  
JULIAN S. JORDAN.....admitted into Sonth Georgia Conference, Dec. 1869  
JAMES JONES.....admitted into the Georgia Conference, Jan. 1835  
GEORGE S. JOHNSON...readmitted into Sonth Georgia Conference, Dec. 1868  
WILLIAM M. KENNEDY..... admitted into the Florida Conference, Feb. 1848  
JOSEPH S. KEY.....admitted into the Georgia Conference, Jan. 1849  
WALTER KNOX.....admitted into the Georgia Conference, Jan. 1851  
THOMAS B. LANIER.....admitted into the Georgia Conference, Dec. 1858  
WESLEY LANE..... ..... admitted into the Georgia Conference, Dec. 1860  
ROBERT B. LESTER.....admitted into the Georgia Conference, Dec. 1851  
JESSE R. LITTLEJOHN.....admitted into the Georgia Conference, Jan. 1850  
REUBEN H. LUCKEY.....admitted into the Georgia Conference, Jan. 1842  
GEO. G. N. MACDONELL ...admitted into the Georgia Conference, Dec. 1854  
JOHN M. MARSHALL.....admitted into the Georgia Confrence, Jan. 1845  
JAMES D. MAULDIN.....admitted into the Florida Conference, Dec. 1859  
WILLIAM B. McHAN ..... admitted into the Georgia Conference, Jan. 1849  
JOHN B. McGEHEE.....admitted into the Georgia Conference, Dec. 1852  
ED. A. H. McGEHEE.....admitted into the Georgia Conference, Dec. 1858  
WILLIAM T. McMICHAEL...admitted into the Georgia Conference, Dec. 1856  
DAVID R. McWILLIAMS.....admitted into the Georgia Conference, Dec. 1857  
CHARLES A. MOORE.....admitted into the Georgia Conference, Dec. 1858  
JOHN J. MORGAN.....admitted into the Georgia Conference, Dec. 1858  
NORMAN D. MOREHOUSE...admitted into the Georgia Conference, Dec. 1860  
EDWARD H. MYERS.....admitted into the Georgia Conference, Jan. 1841  
HERBERT P. MYERS.....admitted into South Georgia Conferenc, Dec. 1868  
DENNIS O'DRISCOLL.....admitted into the Georgia Conference, Jan. 1851  
JACOB R. OWEN.....admitted into the Georgia Conference, Jan. 1851  
NEWDEGATE B. OUSLEY....admitted into the Georgia Conference, Jan. 1857  
LEWIS B. PAYNE..... .....admitted into the Georgia Conference, Dec. 1850  
LEONARD C. PEEK.....readmitted into South Georgia Conference, Dec. 1869  
HENRY P. PITCHFORD .....admitted into the Georgia Conference, Dec. 1835  
LOVICK PIERCE.....admitted into the South Carolina Conference, Dec. 1805  
JOHN M. POTTER.....admitted into South Georgia Conference, Dec. 1868  
DANIEL G. POPE.....admitted into South Georgia Conference, Dec. 1868  
EDWARD J. RENTZ.....readmitted into South Georgia Conference, Dec. 1867  
CAPEL RAIFORD..... .....admitted into the Georgia Conference, Dec. 1830  
WILLIAM F. ROBISON .....admitted into the Georgia Conference, Dec. 1866  
WILLIAM F. ROBERTS..readmitted into South Georgia Conference, Dec. 1869  
JAMES A. ROSSER..... ..... admitted from M. P. Church, Dec. 1870  
JOHN E. SENTELL.....admitted into the Georgia Conference, Jan. 1850

JOHN W. SIMMONS.....admitted into the Georgia Conference, Dec. 1858  
OSBORNE L. SMITH.....admitted into the Georgia Conference, Jan. 1845  
COSBY W. SMITH.....admitted into South Georgia Conference, Dec. 1867  
JAMES SPENCE.....admitted into South Georgia Conference, Dec. 1870  
S. S. SWEET, Holston, Oct. 1859, readmitted into Ga. Conference, Dec. 1867  
WILLIAM W. STEWART..readmitted into South Georgia Conference, Dec. 1867  
WILLIAM W. TIDWELL.....admitted into the Georgia Conference, Dec. 1854  
YOUNG F. TIGNOR.....readmitted into the Georgia Conference, Jan. 1849  
JOHN W. TALLEY...admitted into the South Carolina Conference, Feb. 1828  
WILLIAM H. THOMAS.....admitted into the Georgia Conference, Jan. 1849  
CHARLES J. TOOLE.....admitted into South Georgia Conference, Dec. 1868  
S. N. TUCKER.....admitted into South Georgia Conference, Dec. 1870  
JOHN B. WARDLAW.....admitted into the Georgia Conference, Jan. 1843  
WILLIAM M. WATTS.....admitted into the Georgia Conference, Dec. 1851  
ROBERT F. WILLIAMSON.....admitted into the Georgia Conference, Dec. 1859  
JOHN L. WILLIAMS.....admitted into the Florida Conference, Jan. 1855  
ALEX. M. WYNN.....admitted into the Georgia Conference, Jan. 1849  
SHELTON R. WEAVER.....admitted into the Florida Conference, Dec. 1858  
ALEX. P. WRIGHT.....admitted into South Georgia Conference, Dec. 1868  
A. WRIGHT, admitted into Ga. Conference, Jan. 1846—readmitted Dec. 1858  
R. L. WIGGINS.....admitted into South Georgia Conference, Dec. 1871

# STATISTICAL TABLES.

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER, 1872.

NAMES OF CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	SAVANNAH DISTRICT.		MACON DISTRICT.		SCHOOL & VOLUNTEERS IN LIBRARY, REQUISITES,			
	MEMBERS, LOCAL PRAEACHERS,		INPARTS BAPTIZED.		ADULTS BAPTIZED.		SCHOOL PEOPLES, TEACHERS,	
	Colored.	Whites.	Colored.	Whites.	Colored.	Whites.	Colored.	Whites.
Savannah, Trinity.....	491		9	7	4	3	325	335
Sav., Wesley Church and City Mission.....	251		36	15	11	21	123	950
Stonefield, Mizpah.....	468		3	22	5	3	174	400
Sylvania.....	500		5	5	18	19	175	200
Bethel.....	166		1	11	48	24	166	500
Alexander.....	475		2	6	35	1	121	336
Waynesboro.....	318		6	8	12	6	50	100
Sunderville and Davisonboro.....	464		6	14	35	7	50	100
Washington.....	450		3	7	23	12	75	150
Garrison.....	280		5	40	5	20	50	100
	425			31	5	26	250	500
Total.....	4288			29	128	61	354	1061
					290	1948	2925	1061
						1948	2630	1061
Savannah, Mullerry st. and Vineville.....	374		3	4	11	6	51	335
East Macon and Swift Creek.....	169		1	3	19	3	21	174
First Street.....	350		1	1	11	24	175	400
City Mission.....	324		1	1	1	1	166	500
Macon Circuit.....	296		1	1	10	117	121	336
Towton.....	90		2	10	4	6	50	100
Jeffersonville.....	340		1	1	1	6	50	100
Twiggs.....	222		1	4	2	1	20	40
Court Valley and Marshallville.....	60		2	2	9	18	38	75
Beverly Dam.....	365		1	5	40	5	30	145
Cry.....	490		5	15	3	17	17	200
Hayneville.....	165		3	4	25	5	45	100
Montezuma and Providence.....	578		4	3	9	11	13	95
Total.....	170		2	11	2	2	13	160
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COLUMBUS DISTRICT.

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER, 1872.

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	NAME S OF	MEMBERS.	LOCAL PREACHERS.		INFANTS BAPTIZED.		ADULTS BAPTIZED.		SUNDAY SCHOOLS.		OFFICERS & TEACHERS.		S. SCHOOL PUPILS.		S. SCHOLAR REQUISITES.		VOLUNTEERS IN LIBRARY.		CHURCH PERIODICALS.	
			Whites.		Colored.		Whites.		Colored.		Whites.		Colored.		Whites.		Colored.		Whites.	
<b>BAINBRIDGE DISTRICT (<i>Contin'd.</i>)</b>																				
Camilia.....		255	.....	3	15	4	40	15	24	3	154	200	200	200	232	25	25	100	52	
Cairo.....		310	.....	2	2	2	2	4	4	4	30	25	160	160	60	300	300	300	30	
Groveville.....		301	.....	1	1	1	1	4	4	1	10	10	10	10	140	140	140	140	140	
Jamestown.....		145	.....	1	1	1	1	4	4	1	1	12	12	12	12	63	63	63	63	
Lebanonville.....		177	.....	3	3	3	3	6	6	1	1	28	28	28	28	191	191	191	191	
Albany and Mission.....		122	.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	94	94	94	94	1362	1362	1362	1362	
Total.....		2905	.....	21	90	90	90	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	1335	1435	1435	1435		
<b>HAWKINSVILLE DISTRICT.</b>																				
Hawkinsville.....		61	.....	1	1	8	9	6	6	1	1	13	13	13	13	70	70	70	70	
Oochran Mission.....		159	.....	2	1	3	3	14	14	1	1	8	8	8	8	40	40	40	40	
Pula-ki and Wilcox.....		116	.....	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	4	4	4	
Vienna.....		606	.....	5	5	60	60	6	6	8	8	8	8	8	8	35	35	35	35	
Dooly Mission.....		78	.....	10	10	1	1	3	3	1	1	2	2	2	2	35	35	35	35	
Flint River Mission.....		105	.....	5	5	5	5	6	6	8	8	8	8	8	8	60	60	60	60	
Monticule Mission.....		130	.....	20	20	2	2	1	1	4	4	18	18	18	18	100	100	100	100	
Nashville.....		120	.....	20	20	2	2	1	1	12	12	37	37	37	37	6	6	6	6	
Alapaha Mission.....		150	.....	20	20	1	1	1	1	18	18	18	18	18	18	79	79	79	79	
Ocmulgee.....		214	.....	20	20	1	1	1	1	152	152	152	152	152	152	18	18	18	18	
Total.....		1531	.....	34	16	1	1	57	57	1	1	152	152	152	152	745	745	745	745	
<b>BRUNSWICK DISTRICT.</b>																				
Brunswick and City Mission.....		135	.....	1	1	15	17	3	3	1	1	15	15	15	15	70	70	70	70	
St. Mary's.....		68	.....	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	9	9	9	9	57	57	57	57	
Centre Village.....		165	.....	2	2	17	17	12	12	3	3	16	16	16	16	124	124	124	124	
Waterville.....		151	.....	1	1	27	27	14	14	2	2	12	12	12	12	67	67	67	67	
Wareboro.....		381	.....	10	10	1	1	19	19	1	1	10	10	10	10	75	75	75	75	
Jesus.....		204	.....	10	10	7	7	15	15	2	2	8	8	8	8	135	135	135	135	
Holmeville.....		147	.....	2	2	5	5	2	2	2	2	5	5	5	5	80	80	80	80	
Total.....		1531	.....	34	16	1	1	57	57	1	1	152	152	152	152	745	745	745	745	
																337	337	337	337	
																874	874	874	874	

Stockton.....	250	2	2	20	30	100	60
Vadodisa.....	265	1	6	12	168	79	134
Ulmtnan.....	166	6	14	60	158	230	88
Morven.....	305	2	17	30	—	—	—
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>10274</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>702</b>	<b>492</b>

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STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER, 1872.

COLUMBUS DISTRICT.

**STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER, 1872.**

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	REAL ESTATE.		MONEYS RAISED DURING THE CONFERENCE YEAR.					
	CHURCHES.		PERSONAGES		OTHER PROPERTY.		In aid of other Church Enterprises.	
	Number.	Value.	Number.	Value.	Specification	Value.	For the Conference S. S. Society.	For the Conference Collection.
BAINBRIDGE DISTRICT—Cont'd.								
Camilla.....	5	3500 00	1200	400 00	1 Town Lot....	100 00	708 66	92 84
Cairo.....	6	1500 00	1800	400 00	.....	507 33	79 00	10 60
Conyersville.....	5	4500 00	1250	1 800 00	.....	350 00	558 00	30 00
Thomasville.....	3	900 00	700	400 00	.....	850 00	288 41	.....
Albany and Mission.....	1	3700 00	400	1 2200 00	.....	600 00	1400 00	19 00
Total.....	39	31080 00	11354	4 7750 00	.....	4550 00	775 00	28 00
HAWKINSVILLE DISTRICT.								
Coehran Mission.....	1	3500 00	275	200 00	One Lot....	200 00	186 14	20 00
Polacki and Wilcox.....	3	500 00	300	65 00	.....	156 05	11 00	50 00
Venita.....	4	650 00	675	.....	.....	150 00	5 00	17 90
Hooley Mission.....	8	4500 00	1200	.....	.....	475 00	88 00	6 20
Flint River Mission.....	4	550 00	800	.....	.....	65 00	13 00	18 30
Moultrie Mission.....	3	400 00	500	.....	.....	250 00	150 00	1 85
Nashville.....	2	800 00	400	.....	.....	80 00	4 85	.....
Alabama Mission.....	2	75 00	350	.....	.....	121 25	17 60	6 63
Ocnudgee.....	2	300 00	375	.....	.....	99 00	4 50	2 00
Total.....	32	11775 00	5375	200 00	.....	365 00	8 00	9 00
BRUNSWICK DISTRICT.								
Brunswick and City Mission.....	1	3000 00	250	1 2500 00	Organ....	150 00	164 00	45 75
St. Mary's.....	1	2125 00	200	1000 00	.....	93 00	404 70	50 75
Centre Village.....	7	2100 00	200	1000 00	.....	154 40	25 00	13 40
Waynesville.....	5	1000 00	800	1 200 00	.....	198 20	19 50	21 00
Wareboro.....	7	2890 00	1500	1 300 00	.....	329 93	33 50	1 50
Jesup.....	6	750 00	800	200 00	.....	450 00	90 60	11 18



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## ADDENDUM.

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By a straugh oversight, the amounts collected from stations and circuits, in the following districts, were omitted in statistical tables, and we, therefore, present a part of brother MacDonell's report.

### SAVANNAH DISTRICT.

Savannah, Trinity—J. E. Evans, general collection.....	\$ 271 20
Sunday School Mission Society.....	430 00
Savannah, Wesley Church and City Mission—George G. N. Mac-	
Donell, Sunday School Mission Society.....	300 00
From G. W. Shaffer .....	60 00
Springfield Circuit—Thomas B. Lanier .....	91 00
Sylvania Circuit—W. McMichael.....	59 00
Bethel Circuit—R. W. Flournoy .....	53 80
Alexander Circuit—J. A. Rosser.....	64 50
Waynesboro Circuit—N. B. Ousley.....	153 75
Louisville Circuit—C. C. Hines.....	115 56
Bethany Sunday School .....	125 00
Saudersville and Davisboro Circuit—W. S. Baker.....	15 00
Washington Circuit—J. B. Culpepper.....	22 50
Gibson Circuit—S. N. Tucker .....	31 00
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Total.....	\$1,738 31

### MACON DISTRICT.

Macon, Mulberry Street and Vineville—J. O. Branch.....	\$ 571 46
East Macon and Swift Creek—J. W. Burke.....	22 00
Macon, First Street—W. W. Hicks.....	74 58
Macon Circuit—J. S. Jordan.....	53 50
Gordon Circuit—W. J. Green.....	10 90
Jeffersonville Circuit—R. F. Evans.....	24 25
Fort Valley and Marshallville Circuit—F. A. Branch.....	161 00
Beaver Dam Circuit—W. W. Tidwell.....	21 50
Perry—A. J. Dean.....	59 10
Hayneville Circuit—E. A. H. McGhee.....	175 00
Montezuma and Providence.....	25 00
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Total .....	\$1,198 29

### COLUMBUS DISTRICT.

Columbus, St. Luke's—J. S. Key—Sunday School Miss. Society...	\$ 272 40
General collection.....	76 00
Columbus, St. Paul's—A. Wright—Sunday School Miss. Society..	70 00
General collection.....	155 00
Columbus, Wesley Chapel—W. M. D. Bond.....	8 50
Girard and Asbury Chapel—J. E. Tooke.....	10 00
Muscogee Circuit—R. L. Wiggins.....	100 00
Hamilton Circuit—W. F. Robison.....	100 00
Talbotton—R. W. Dixon—general collection.....	59 80
Sunday School Missionary Society.....	65 65
Talbot Circuit—D. R. McWilliams .....	130 00
Geneva Circuit—S. R. Weaver.....	15 00

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Butler Circuit—J. R. Littlejohn.....	32 45
Buena Vista Circuit—W. W. Stewart.....	100 00
Cusseta Circuit—S. D. Clements .....	85 00
Oglethorpe Circuit—George S. Johnson.....	25 00
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Total .....	\$1,304 80

## AMERICUS DISTRICT.

Americus—A. M. Wynn—general collection.....	\$ 75 00
Sunday School Missionary Society.....	100 00
Magnolia Spring Circuit—T. H. Stewart.....	140 50
Ellaville Circuit—John M. Marshall .....	25 00
Smithville and Mission—D. O'Driscoll.....	43 85
Cuthbert—B. F. Breedlove.....	40 00
Cuthbert, St. Paul's and Miller's Chapel—B. J. Baldwin.....	15 00
Georgetown—J. B. McGehee.....	30 00
Sprig Vale Circuit—N. D. Morehouse .....	26 00
Dawson—George C. Clarke.....	26 45
Terrell Circuit—George T. Embry.....	16 50
Weston Circuit—E. J. Rentz.....	45 00
Lumpkin—J. M. Austin.....	20 00
Stewart Circuit—J. B. Wardlaw .....	38 75
Florence Circuit—W. B. McHan.....	30 00
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Total.....	\$ 672 05

## BAINBRIDGE DISTRICT.

Bainbridge—W. Knox.....	\$ 55 00
Decatur Circuit—J. F. Mixon.....	21 50
Trinity Circuit—G. C. Thompson .....	3 00
Fort Gaines and Blakely—W. M. Hayes .....	25 00
Morgan Circuit—J. D. Mauldin.....	2 00
Camilla Circuit—J. T. Ainsworth .....	50 00
Cairo Circuit—P. C. Harris.....	50 00
Grooverville Circuit—R. H. Howren .....	46 00
Duncanville Circuit—L. C. Peek .....	32 00
Thomasville—J. P. Duncan .....	6 00
Albany and mission—R. J. Corley.....	33 00
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Total .....	\$ 323 50

Report of the Missionary Board of the South Georgia Conference,  
1872.

The Board of Missions of the South Georgia offer the following brief abstract of the transactions of the past year :

1. Wesley Chapel Mission, in Columbus, has been served by Rev. W. M. D. Bond. This is a very prosperous charge, rapidly growing into a self-sustaining Church. The pastor found the work in a good condition—a noticeable fact—operated with success during the year. Church members, 236; paid pastor, \$900; for building, etc., \$571; Bishops, \$5; missionary money, \$8.45; Conference collection, \$8.40; Sunday School money, \$5; poor of the Church, \$45.70. A new church is in contemplation and will be erected the ensuing year. During the year another society was formed from

Wesley Chapel. It asks an appropriation one more year, which the Board grants.

2. Flint River Mission is mainly in Worth county,—one appointment in Mitchell county,—and its name does not indicate its locality. Let it be known as Worth mission. It is promising—somewhat prosperous. Five Churches, six appointments. Has raised \$250 for building purposes,—one new church built during the year. Paid preacher in charge, \$150; presiding elder, \$25. Has one good Sunday School. Seventeen members added. Served by Rev. W. M. Russell. Let it be continued.

3. Cochran Mission—served by Rev. L. A. Darsey—in Pulaski county. Has five appointments, three of which are churches. Eleven adults, nine infants baptized. There are 159 members—22 added this year. Paid the pastor, \$145.05; presiding elder, \$11. The Board advise its continuance.

4. Bryan Mission was served by Rev. W. M. C. Conley. Lies between Ogeechee and Canoochee rivers. There are only two churches. The work is improving slowly—has 52 members. It has paid the pastor only \$65.25. He has baptized seven adults and five infants. It needs help.

5. Dooly Mission—in Dooly and Worth counties—contains three churches and two other appointments. Has done little for support of pastor, paying only \$65 to him, \$13 to presiding elder. Rev. W. N. Clemons was pastor, a local preacher. If facts furnished be regarded, it will require aid for a long time.

6. Moultrie Mission was served by Rev. W. N. Buntin, who reports 130 members, five local preachers. Has two Sunday Schools, 60 pupils; paid pastor \$30, presiding elder \$4.85. An increase of 26 members is reported. Let it be aided by the care of the Board.

7. Macon City Mission was served by Rev. R. A. Cain, local preacher. It is quite flourishing, having had frequent and numerous accessions to its membership at Jones' Chapel. Has paid pastor about \$100. The field is one of the most promising in the bounds of the Conference.

8. Wesley Church and City Mission of Savannah. This charge, for three years, has been served by the Rev. G. G. N. MacDonell, and has yielded large results. It is doubtless an auspicious beginning of a second large church in Savannah. This enterprise, begun a few years ago, is a striking illustration of the wisdom of appropriating missionary money in large cities. Taking its entire history, it is doubtful if a parallel can be found to its liberality. During the year it has raised, for various purposes, including pastor's salary, (\$1,200,) over \$3,000. Of this amount \$300 was contributed by Sunday Schools for missionary cause, thus nearly paying back the year's appropriation. It has also paid \$160 for Conference collection; \$260 for its own Sunday School, and \$460 for building purposes. Certainly this is a model Church, and worthy of much praise and more imitation. Your Secretary knows, by long oversight in another official capacity, how this pre-eminence has been attained: it is the result of faithful pastoral oversight, diligent nurture of the Sunday School, and especially of system in the financial projects of the Church. It is, perhaps, the most thoroughly organized work in the Conference.

This closes the yearly statistical exhibit of the Board.

Taking a view of the Treasurer's report, it is yet manifest that our missionaries are very poorly paid. This year they will receive sixty-eight per cent. of their small claim. It will appear that there is an advance in the per cent. paid, but this has been reached only by a reduction of the appropriation, and is therefore illusive—apparent, not real progress. The Board think it the true policy to scale appropriations gradually until the full amount be paid to each claimant. A very painful financial operation this, but the opposite course is deceptive to the public, as to what we are doing, and damaging to missionaries by creating expectations not to be realized. The Secretary has for years urged the importance of increasing our reve-

nues, but only small advances seem to be made. Every preacher should feel bound to present and press the claims of missions at an early day. Delay in this matter is ruinous. Work systematically and constantly if you would succeed.

The gospel is the heritage of the poor, and this can only be made actual fact by liberal benefactions from the rich. Many men are willing to work for moderate pay, but even this cannot be had where there is neither wealth nor intelligence, and where religion is little known by the people. Methodism is essentially a missionary system, and, by this agency, our form and type of Christianity has been more rapidly extended than by any plan of evangelization since the days of the Apostles.

"Go ye into all the world and preach," was the command. The Apostles went—did not wait for an invitation, and for a satisfactory bargain as to temporal support. So Methodist preachers have done, and the result is seen in the millions of communicants gathered unto Christ, in one hundred and thirty years.

Ours is a busy, bustling age, full of material ideas, tending even to Atheism. Religion and morality rest upon the granitic foundations of Mt. Sinai, and the stone laid in Zion, "elect, precious."

Society in America is in a turmoil. Evil agencies are at work, destructive to the very foundations of our social and political fabric. The sappers and miners of the infidel corps are besieging the temple and the very throne of God. We must stand by the citadel, and hurl the thunders of Sinai against the militant array, and by the love of Jesus beseech the wicked to desist.

Barbarism and superstition must be encountered, and the way of life opened to the benighted.

Christianity is the "light of the world," "the salt of the earth." It is the nature of light to shine, of salt to save; and when these qualities exist in any high excellence the Church of God will spread its banners over the uttermost part of the wide, wide world.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. W. HINTON, *Secretary.*